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 QUEBEC WEST CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

Canada, }  
 Province of Quebec, }  
 District of Quebec, }  
 No. 141.

*In the Superior Court.*

The Twenty-fourth day of November, Nineteen hundred and eleven.

Present:

The Honourable Chief Justice F. X. Lemieux, and Honourable Judge C. E. Dorion.

(Dominion Controverted Elections Act.)

(SEAL.)

The election of a Member, for the Electoral District of Quebec West, to the House of Commons of Canada, held on the Fourteenth day of September, Nineteen Hundred and eleven, for the nomination of candidates, and the Twenty first day of September, Nineteen Hundred and eleven, for votation.

Jean-B. Fradette, of the City of Quebec, Agent,

*Petitioner.*

and

William Power, Merchant, of the City of Quebec,

*Defendant.*

The Court, having examined the procedure and the evidence of record, and having heard the parties through their lawyers on the merits of the petition in contestation of election, the present case having been inscribed for evidence and hearing at the same time;

Considering that the Petitioner has declared in writing that he had no evidence in support of the present petition in contestation of election, and that in fact no evidence was adduced in support of the same;

Considering, on the other hand, that the Respondent has consented in writing that the said Petition be dismissed, each party paying his own costs;

Wherefore, doth dismiss the said Petition in contestation of election, each party paying his own costs.

(Sgd.) F. X. LEMIEUX,

*Chief-Justice, Quebec.*

(Sgd.) C. E. DORION,

*J. S. C.*

The said Report was ordered to be entered on the Journals of this House.

Mr. Burrell, a Member of the King's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Royal Highness the Governor General,—Report of the Commission of Conservation on the Water-Powers of Canada.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 47.*)

## BANKING ACT AMENDMENT.

MR. SPEAKER,—Referring to the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Banking Act," which the Honourable Member for St. John and Iberville (Mr. Demers) has given notice, I am of the opinion, after an examination of the measure, that it should be introduced upon Resolution.

Previous to 1874 the practice in this regard had been somewhat unsettled; but in that year Mr. Speaker Anglin decided (See Bourinot, 3rd edition, page 634) that general Banking Bills are to be based on Resolutions. It is added that this position was in accordance with the practice of the English Parliament. The case in which this Question arose was of a Bill similar to that now under consideration. See Canadian Commons Journals, (1874), pages 142-3. In 1890 the Government Bill to extend the charters of the several Banks in Canada and to Amend the Banking Act,